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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS R)  
SUBJECT: SECRETARY VANCE VISIT

1. DCM WAS IN TOUCH WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY JULY 20 ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER THUNAYYAN SAID THAT SECRETARY VANCE AND PARTY WOULD OF COURSE BE WELCOME IN THE KINGDOM.
2. LATER DEPUTY CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTRY PROTOCOL TOLD EMBASSY THAT IF THERE ARE NO OTHER HIGH LEVEL OFFICIAL VISITORS IN THE KINGDOM DURING THE SECRETARY'S VISIT THEN THE ENTIRE PARTY WILL BE ACCOMMODATED IN GOVERNMENT GUEST FACILITIES IN TAIF, WHERE THE TALKS WILL BE HELD.
3. IF THERE ARE OTHER OFFICIAL VISITORS IN THE KINGDOM AT THAT TIME THEN TALKS WILL BE HELD IN JIDDA, WHERE THE SECRETARY AND HIS PARTY WILL BE HOUSED. CROWN PRINCE FAHD AND FOREIGN MINISTER SAUD WOULD COME TO JIDDA. ON THE LAST DAY OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT HE AND A SMALL GROUP FROM HIS OFFICIAL PARTY WOULD BE INVITED TO TAIF FOR AN AUDIENCE WITH KING KHALID. THE SAG WOULD PROVIDE AN EXECUTIVE JET FOR THE TRIP IF THE SECRETARY WISHES. OTHERWISE HE MAY FLY TO TAIF ON HIS OWN PLANE.

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4. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WISHES TO KNOW THE EXACT DATES OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME AS WELL AS NAMES, SIZE OF PARTY AND OTHER DETAILS.
5. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SAID THAT THERE WOULD BE "NO PROBLEM" IN JIDDA FOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE ENTIRE PARTY, MEANING ADEQUATE GUEST FACILITIES WOULD BE AVAILABLE.

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